

## House Resolution No. 526

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone achievements in the careers of Show-Me State educators whose dedication, skills, and innovative practices have enhanced the learning opportunities of the youth under their charge; and

**Whereas**, Jennifer Pallardy has attained considerable distinction as a Reading Recovery Teacher Leader at Independence Elementary School in the Francis Howell R-III School District of Saint Charles; and

**Whereas**, Jennifer Pallardy recently enhanced her already impressive record of achievements when she was selected for a 2004 Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award; and

**Whereas**, one of one hundred exceptional kindergarten through twelfth-grade teachers in forty-seven states and the District of Columbia to earn the Milken award this year, Jennifer Pallardy will receive a \$25,000 unrestricted grant and an invitation to participate in the annual Milken National Education Conference which will be held from April 26 to April 28, 2005, in Washington, D.C.; and

**Whereas**, new Milken educators successfully underwent a selection process that includes recommendation by a blue ribbon committee of education and policy leaders appointed by each state's department of education with the final winnowing done by the Milken Family Foundation based on such criteria as exceptional education talent evidenced by outstanding instructional practices in the classroom, school, and profession; outstanding accomplishments and strong long-range potential for professional and policy leadership; and an engaging and inspiring presence that motivates and impacts students, colleagues, and the community; and

**Whereas**, with a national network of more than 2,000 Milken educators who have been honored since the program's inception in 1985, the Milken Educator Network links teachers, principals, and specialists to serve as an expert resource base for policy makers seeking to improve public education and teacher quality:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the eight-year-long record of achievement garnered by Jennifer Pallardy as an educator and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon her receipt of a well-deserved 2004 Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Jennifer Pallardy of the Francis Howell R-III School District.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Joe Smith  
District No. 14

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 526 adopted February 14, 2005.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker